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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to Deny your refund request in the amount of \$36.00, for patent/serial number 09955432.

There is a total of 27 claims 1 independent There is a total of 7 extra dependent claims.  
The fee is \$18.00 each. The fee submitted was \$90.00. The fee that was due was  
\$126.00.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ola Simms", is written over the printed name.

OLA SIMMS  
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